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1. EMBOFF INFORMED GOS OFFICIAL IN CHARGE GATT AFFAIRS

(DUNKEL) DEC 3 OF REF A USEC APPROACH TO EC COMMISSION RE RULES OF ORIGIN. DUNKEL SAID HE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED BEING INFORMED U.S. POSITION PARTICULARLY SINCE THIS QUESTION INVOLVED EFTA COUNTRIES AS WELL AS EC.

2. ON PERSONAL BASIS DUNKEL SAID HE THOUGHT SWISS COULD ACCEPT WORKING PARTY TO DEAL WITH RULES OF ORIGIN AND RELEVANT GATT PROVISIONS SO LONG AS CREATION OF NEW WP WAS NOT SEEN AS DEVICE ATTACK EC/EFTA RULES. (DUNKEL COMMENTS SEEM CONSISTENT WITH STATED PURPOSE FOR RULES OF ORIGIN WP OUTLINED PARA 3, REF (B)). RE DESIRE IMPROVE EXISTING RULES OF ORIGIN DUNKEL SAID SWISS FEEL THAT CHANGES CAN BE MADE MORE RAPIDLY AND EASILY THROUGH BILATERAL CHANNELS THAN WITHIN GATT MULTILATERAL FRAMEWORK WHICH WOULD FORCE EFTA COUNTRIES TO LINE UP WITH EC IN DEFENDING PRESENT RULES.
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